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**Federal Railroad
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Memorandum

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Subject: Locomotive Handbrakes - Stencil Requirement for Canadian Railroads

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To: Regional Administrators, Deputy Regional Administrators,
Motive Power & Equipment Specialists and Inspectors

Title 49, CFR, Section 232.10(f)(2) requires that locomotive handbrakes be inspected and repaired as often as service requires with the date suitably stencilled or tagged. Transport Canada's Cab Form 22, Item 8(a) includes this same information.

Please be advised that the information in Item 8(a) of Transport Canada Cab Form 22 satisfies the Federal Railroad Administration's requirement of having "the date suitably stencilled or tagged".

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